WILD TIMES IN WALL STREET.

Bulge in Prices Wider than at Any Time Since War Panic.

COLLAPSE AFTER ADVANCE.

Brokers Got Reckless and Bid Without Limit--Some Big Changes.

Nothing in the recent excited state of stocks equalled the sensational events from the operators' point of view in to-day's stock market. No such bulge of prices has been witnessed since the bear panic following the declaration of war with Spain.

Buying orders were in larger volume on some days last week, but a large number of orders to-day seemed to have no price limit, the brokers being apparently under urgent orders to fill them at any price.

Coming upon a market strongly disposed to advance anyhow, the effect of these orders was marked, but they were too sudden, and there was a collapse which wiped out the greater part of the sudden advance.

Brokers manifested intense excitement in the execution of orders, in marked contrast to the orderly, business-like way in which yesterday's substantial buying was conducted. The instability of the advance was equally conspicuous.

Buyers had no sooner lifted prices by their reckless bidding than the excitement was transferred to the sellers, who pushed headlong into the scrimmage to catch bids at the top. By 11 o'clock the excitement was ended and quiet reigned, with prices only a fraction above last night.

Openings were "wide" in many stocks—that is to say sales were made in the same crowd of one stock at widely varying prices. In Consolidated Gas the spread was 7 points, from 194 to 201, on sales of 3,000 shares, and in Tennessee Coal from 76 to 77 1-2, on sales of 4,000 shares. Atchison preferred and Union Pacific were similarly affected to a less extent.

Some of the opening gains were: Consolidated Gas 9 3-4, General Electric 5, Tennessee Coal 4 1-4 and a long list of railroad and iron and steel stocks from 1 to 2 points and upward. In the recoil Consolidated Gas lost 8 points, General Electric 5 1-2, Tennessee Coal 2 1-4, Kansas & Texas preferred 2 3-4, Pennsylvania 2 1-4, and a long list between 1 and 2 points.

After a period of quiet and the appearance of the favorable bank statement, buying orders came in again and the advance was renewed, but in nothing like the violent and feverish manner of the opening.

Tennessee Coal recovered to the best and rallied 2. There was a rise of 7 in St. Paul & Omaha and 2 3-4 in Iowa Central preferred. Otherwise the rallies were mostly fractional.

Some realizing made itself manifest in the late dealings. But the closing was very active and buoyant.

The total sales of stocks to-day were 822,000 shares and of bonds $2,282,000.

The Closing Quotations.

	Open	High.	Low.	Clos.
Am. Car & Foundry	22	22¾	22	22¾
Am. Cotton Oil	34	34	34	34
Am. Linseed pf	43½	43½	42¾	43¾
Am. Smelt. & R f	52	53¾	52	53¾
Am. Steel & Hoop	32¾	33¾	32¾	33¾
Am. Steel & Wire	48	48¾	47¾	48¼
Am. Steel & Wire pf	87¼	88¼	87¼	88¼
Am. Sugar	131	134	132¼	132¾
Am. Tin Plate	42	44¼	42	44
Am. Tob	110¾	110¾	110	110¾
Anaconda Mining	50	52	50	51¾
A., T. & S. Fe	38¼	38¾	38¼	38¾
A., Top. & S. Fe pf	82¾	83¼	82¾	82¾
Balt & Ohio	83	83¼	82¾	83
Brooklyn Rap. Tra	71¾	72¾	70¾	70¾
Burlington	135	138	137¾	138¾
Chic., Mil. & St. Paul	124¾	124¾	123¾	124¾
Chic. Term. & Trac	11½	11¾	11½	11½
Col. Fuel & Iron	50	51¾	50	51¾
Col. & Hock. Val. pf	70¾	71	70	70
Consolidated Gas	194	201	193	196
Continental Tobacco	36¾	36¾	36¾	36¾
Federal Steel	71¾	71¾	69¾	70¾
General Elec	168	170	168	168¾
Great Northern pf	174¾	175	174¾	175
Louis. & Nash	81¾	82¾	81¾	81¾
Manhattan	111¾	112	111¾	112
Metro. St. RR	170	171	170	170¾
Missouri Pacific	69¾	69¾	68¾	69¾
Northern Pacific	67¾	67¾	66¾	67¾
N. Y. Airbrake	152¾	153	151¾	153
N. Y. Central	139¾	139¾	139¾	139¾
Pacific Mail	46	46¼	46	46¾
Pennsylvania	142¾	144	142	143¾
People's Gas	101	101¾	101	101¾
Reading 1st pf	64½	64¾	64	64¾
South. Pac	42¾	42¾	42¾	42¾
South. R'way pf	63¾	64	62¾	63¾
St. L. & San F. 2d pf	44¾	45	44¾	44¾
St. Louis S'west pf	35¾	36	35¾	35¾
Tenn. Coal & Iron	76	78	76	77
Union Pacific	70¾	72	70¾	71¾
U. S. Leather	16	16¾	15¾	15¾
U. S. Rubber	37	37¾	36¾	37
Wheel. & L. E. 2d pf	30¾	30¾	30	30

THE BANK STATEMENT.

Increase in the Deposits and Loans Shown by the Figures.

The weekly statement of averages of the associated banks shows:

Loans	$787,846,100	Inc. $2,189,000
Deposits	839,070,100	Inc. 8,675,800
Circulation	30,677,500	Inc. 28,200
Legal tenders	58,724,800	Inc. 2,612,500
Specie	158,852,500	Inc. 2,595,500
Total reserve	217,577,300	Inc. 5,208,300
Reserve required	209,917,525	Inc. 2,144,525
Surplus reserve	7,659,775	Inc. 3,063,775

Clearing-House statement for to-day: Exchanges, $248,089,766; balances, $9,975,-252. For the week: Exchanges, $1,546,-582,775; balances, $54,659,891. The Sub-Treasury had a debit balance to-day of $727,895.

Total clearings of all the bank clearing-houses in the United States for the week ending to-day were $2,171,075,337, an increase of 8.3 per cent over the corresponding period of last year.

LONDON STOCKS QUIET.

Market Generally Steady, with American Railways the Feature.

The London stock market was generally steady on a light volume of business, with the continued all-around buying of American railway shares the feature of the dealings.

Foreign securities were dull.

WHEAT WAS ACTIVE.

Wheat opened active and about steady. The trading was of a professional order and light. Corn was steady and unchanged.

New York's opening prices were: December wheat, 77 5-8; May, 80 3-8; March, 80 3-4 bid.

Chicago's opening prices were: December wheat, 71 1-2. December corn, 36 3-8.

New York's closing prices were: January wheat, 76 3-8 nominal; March wheat, 80 1-2; May wheat, 80 bid; November wheat, 76 3-4 nominal; December wheat, 77 3-8 bid; May corn, 41 1-4; December corn, 42 1-2 bid. Chicago's closing prices were: December wheat, 71 3-8.

For a Cold in the Head Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets.

THE MOST VALUABLE WOMAN IN THE WORLD.

MRS. FLORENCE PULLMAN LOWDEN.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—If a human life can be measured in money, Mrs. Florence Pullman Lowden is to-day the most valuable woman in the world.

By policies recently placed and announcement of which was made to-day, she is insured for a quarter of a million dollars, the heaviest insurance carried by a woman.

Her husband, Col. Frank O. Lowden, has taken out policies in a like amount. Mrs. Lowden is one of the two daughters of the late George M. Pullman.

She has been a beneficiary under his will to the amount of $1,500,000.

SELLS INTEREST IN BIG STORE.

John Claflin Part Owner of James McCreery's 23d Street Place.

The dry-goods establishment of James McCreery & Co., on Twenty-third street, has partly passed into the hands of John Claflin.

The following statement was made to-day:

"The H. B. Claflin Company has not acquired any interest in the McCreery business. John Claflin personally has purchased an interest in the Twenty-third street retail business of James McCreery & Co., the amount of which is a private matter between him and Mr. McCreery.

"There will positively be no change in the conduct of the business. W. J. McCreery, who has always been in charge at Twenty-third street, will continue in the management, and Louis Stewart will give such attention as is necessary in representing the new interest."

It is said by those who know James McCreery well that being a conservative business man and now over seventy years old, he has for some time regarded two stores as too big a property to handle, even though assisted by his four sons. By disposing of a part interest in the one on Twenty-third street he relieved himself of a great deal of care.

Mr. McCreery began business at the store at Broadway and Eleventh street forty years ago, and the Twenty-third street establishment was opened five years ago.

LAUGH UNHINGED HER JAW.

Mrs. Sharp's Party Broke Up When She Could Not Close Her Mouth.

Excessive laughing at a good story caused Mrs. Kate Sharp, of 958 Grand street, Brooklyn, to open her mouth so wide that she dislocated her jaw and is now in St. Catherine's Hospital.

Mrs. Sharp gave a party last night, and the guests gathered about a grate fire and told funny stories. One of these set the woman laughing so heartily that she threw her head back and held her sides.

She stopped suddenly, though, and then screamed. The guests did all they could to relieve her, but, failing to help her close her mouth, sent a call for an ambulance surgeon.

CZAR DOING WELL.

"General Condition Very Satisfactory," Physicians Report.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 17.—The Czar's physicians issued at 10 A. M. this bulletin:

"His Majesty has passed a satisfactory day. Last evening his temperature was 102.4, pulse 72. His Majesty slept fairly well during the night. Temperature this morning, 100.6; pulse, 65. General condition very satisfactory."

The Cotton Prices.

Cotton opened easy to-day and 5 to 6 points lower. The opening prices were: November, 9.57 to 9.61; December, 9.47 to 9.48; January, 9.39 to 9.40; February, 9.40; March, 9.38 to 9.39; April, 9.40; May, 9.25 to 9.26; June, 9.24 to 9.25; July, 9.33 to 9.34; August, 9.18 to 9.21; September, 8.75.

The closing prices were: Nov., 9.76 to 9.78; Dec., 9.61 to 9.62; Jan., 9.56; Feb., 9.54 to 9.56; March, 9.54 to 9.55; April, 9.52 to 9.53; May, 9.50; June, 9.48 to 9.49; July, 9.46 to 9.47; Aug., 9.32 to 9.33; Sept., 8.78 to 8.80. Market firm.

Judgments Filed To-Day.

The following judgments were filed to-day, the first name being that of the debtor:

Brutlan, Thomas—F. Udall et al., $112.48.
Chadwick, Ace H.—B. L. Rogers, $1,313.80.
Clarke, Paul L.—P. Kent, $62.47.
Olmstead, Birdie—I. Heidelberger, $195.80.
Smith, John—Twelfth Ward Bank, $46.52.
Schnepp, Nicholas—A. Paul, jr., $36.19.
Waters, John—Twelfth Ward Bank, $244.55.
Walh, Patrick T.—R. Henry, $34.09.
Weisberg, Isider—F. D. Lambie et al., $44.02.

$50,000 TRUST FUND MISSING.

Placed with Grant Bros. and an Investigation Ordered.

NEWPORT, R. I., Nov. 17.—Considerable excitement has been caused here by the demand for an investigation by the Police Commission of the method by which about $50,000 in trust funds is alleged to have been placed with the New York firm of Grant Bros., which failed a few days ago.

In a communication to the Police Commission, Cope Whitehouse, a nephew of Bishop Whitehouse, of this city, alleges that the trust funds held by Grant Bros. belonged to the Newport Hospital and to the parish and parochial school of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, and he asks the Commissioners to wire the receiver of Grant Bros., E. G. Stedman, for particulars regarding the placing of the funds. He argues that the step was illegal and that the city may be called upon to make good the sum involved.

At Receiver Stedman's office, 128 Broadway, it was said that the foregoing despatch was the first news they received of the trust fund. No item of the kind had been found in Grant Bros' books, it was said, and no inquiries had been received regarding it.

FLOOD IN A FACTORY.

Silversmiths of Newark Overwhelmed by Flood from Tank.

Three hundred and fifty employees of Unger Bros., silversmiths, whose factory is on Halsey street, Newark, were thrown into a panic this morning when great volumes of water came rushing upon them as they worked.

The factory hands rushed from the building, thinking there had been a cloudburst. Some of the workers were carried off their feet by the force of the rising water.

An investigation showed that a large tank on the roof of the building had collapsed, precipitating 50,000 gallons of water into the floors below.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ALMANAC FOR TO-DAY.

Sun rises.. 6.49|Sun sets.. 4.42|Moon rises.. 2.24

THE TIDES.

	High Water. A.M.	P.M.	Low Water. A.M.	P.M.
Sandy Hook	2.07	4.10	10.19	10.21
Governor's Island	4.31	4.44	10.33	11.02
Hell Gate	6.26	6.32	—	12.21

PORT OF NEW YORK.

ARRIVED.

Kingsley	Padan
City of Marcn	Boston
Seminole	Boston
Santiago	Nassau
Ha.ilia	Porto Rico
U. S. S. Amphitrite	Boston
Yucatan	Havana
George Pyman	Sunderland
Caribbee	St. Thomas
Hispania	Copenhagen

OUTGOING STEAMSHIPS.

SAILED TO-DAY.

Lucania, Liverpool.	Consuelo, Hull.
Pennsylvania, Hamburg.	Cuba, Argentina.
Forest Blumarck, Naples.	Madiana, St. Thomas.
Island, Denmark.	Ulua, Jamaica.
Maasdam, Rotterdam.	Adirondack, Hayti.
Minnehaha, London.	Philadelphia, Porto Rico
British Prince, Antwerp.	Silvia, Newfoundland.
Iberian, Liverpool.	Curityba, Matanzas.
Mexico, Havana.	Alamo, Galveston.
State of Nebraska, Glasgow.	Seminole, Charleston.
	Louisiana, New Orleans.
	Jefferson, Norfolk.
	El Norte, New Orleans.

INCOMING STEAMSHIPS.

DUE TO-DAY.

Panama, Bordeaux.	New York, Southampton.
Lord Kelvin, Hamburg.	Pretoria, Hamburg.
Thomas Melville, Gibraltar.	Chicago City, Swansea.
Nomadic, Liverpool.	Sofia Brailli, Gibraltar.
Lynton, St. Lucia.	Comanche, Jacksonville.
Hegarth, St. Lucia.	Antilla, Nassau.
Umbria, Liverpool.	City of San Antonio, Colon.

IF THE CZAR CAME TO NEW YORK AND...

Made the Police Limit the Wait Between Acts in the Theatres and Only Allowed Three Rounds of Applause to Each Actor.

Stopped the Bouquet Nuisance and Kept the Chappies in Their Seats Until the Show Was Over.

Then Mr. Buskin Believes Many Show People on Broadway Would Get the Stony Face and Other Things Would Happen.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 16.—The Chief of Police of Kieff has taken the theatres in hand. He has limited the applause of actors and the waits between the acts.—A press despatch.

"If the Czar came to New York," said Mr. Waydown Buskin, the eminent tragedian of the provinces, as he slowly but firmly munched a "dog" and chased it with a gentle sip of amber, "I hate to think what would happen on the Rialto."

Then Mr. Waydown Buskin paused. In fact, that is Mr. Buskin's great hit—a pause. It always takes the house. People have been known to weep during a pause by Mr. Buskin skilfully introduced in one of his monologues. "There is great virtue in your pause," he is accustomed to say to his intimates. "If you want to impress people you want to pause good and hard." There are some people who say the longer Mr. Buskin makes his pause the better, but that is another story and an ill-natured one. Let us to our muttons return.

"If the Czar came to New York," went on Buskin, meditatively, "I know some guys would get the stony face along Broadway, and the clapping business wouldn't be quite the thing it is to-day. I see the Czar has made rules about that clapping business and orders that no actor, lady or gentleman, shall get more than three rounds of applause during a performance."

Mr. Buskin paused. That pause was hard on the "dog." It was more than two-parts gone and the amber fluid was dangerously low when Mr. Buskin murmured softly:

"If the Czar came to New York? If he did? What would become of Dimity Busner, the self-acting press agent? I dunno. What would Truly Shattuck do? How would the Rays exist without the airy persiflage that greets their hot old time? Gee! Would the Crosman come out more times'n seventeen as our Mistress Nell and how, how, could dear old Lillian Charlotte Russe respond without encores. O, if the Czar came to New York!"

Again Mr. Buskin paused. This time the pause continued until some one suggested another "dog" and more of the amber. After a deep draught and a long pause Mr. Buskin resumed:

"If the Czar came to New York? If he did, gee whiz, but wouldn't the guy what goes out between the acts get it in the neck. I just see the dinky bloke with a this-kind-of-silk-lined-opera-hat-for-$2.98-costs-everywhere-else-$10 lid grabbed by the cop and run down the aisle into his seat. The fat mug at doesn't know the size of his own feet because he can't look round the corner of his waistband would just have to sit it out, and the bachelor maid wot gets up right when your about to let the curtain rise for an encore, would have to jolly her chignon in her seat instead of bothering the cloak-room lady. No; no quitting between the acts."

Again a pause. Mr. Buskin was thinking he had got away with three parts of his third "dog" and was eyeing the barkeep as a hint to his friend to do it again. His wishes being fully complied with he remarked:

"If the Czar came to New York? If he only did? Would the fat woman with the diamonds come in in the middle of the first act? Nit not! Would you pay $5 for a seat at a dollar show? Nit! Would the chorus girl have a bigger income than a great editor? I don't think. Would Zuzu be able to give her show more than 3,333 times in one year? Not on yer life. Would L. Eggleng disguise herself in boy's pants and venture along on the bloody battlefield of Wagram with strange men when she could be earning an unworried livelihood as Lady Babbie? I must say I do not believe she would."

Mr. Buskin paused again. This time his pause was a raucous pause. The course described by the "dog" on its way from the sideboard to his face was wondrous curvilinear. He might even be said to be unsteady on his feet. Presently he subsided gracefully but surely in a sitting posture into a friendly cuspidor, but before he succumbed to slumber Mr. Buskin was heard to remark feebly: "If—the—Cshar—kensh—to—New—York—ne'sh—a-birdish. I'm—a—birdish—we—all—are—birdish."

Then Mr. Buskin paused for good.

Trespassing on the applause limit.

The kissing limit.

The time limit between acts.

The bouquet limit.

STRONG FIRM RETURNS GOODS

Justice Andrews Orders that Restitution Be Made.

The following orders were issued to-day by Justice Andrews in Supreme Court in the matter of the dissolution of the partnership of W. L. Strong & Co.:

Edward A. Treat, receiver, is directed to return to the Winthrop Mills seventy cases of goods consigned to W. L. Strong & Co., but not disposed of.

The second order is to return 136 cases of goods to William H. Hodgkins, as trustee for the late Joshua Putnam Bradlee, who owned the Ballard Vale Mills. Also to pay Mr. Hodgkins two amounts of money, $2,693.91 and $8,125.69, deposited in the New York Security and Trust Company.

Mr. Treat is next directed to return fifty cases of goods to the Clinton Mills Company.

The last order directs Mr. Treat to authorize the Empire Print Works of Passaic, N. J., to return sixteen cases of satinettes to William Iselin & Co., as directed by A. W. Darling, owner of the goods.

POPULAR DEMOCRAT DEAD.

Police Commissioner McCarthy, of Newark, Had a Large Following.

Police Commissioner James A. McCarthy, of Newark, N. J., died to-day of spinal meningitis. He was one of the most popular Democrats of Newark; served two terms in the Common Council, was a member of the Executive Committee of the County Democratic Committee, and one of the five party leaders in the county.

He was appointed Police Commissioner in May last, and had three years and a half to serve. Mr. McCarthy was thirty-five years old.

LEFT HIS AUTO AND RAN AWAY.

Well Dressed Man Mystified Police and Park Row Denizens.

The "Mystery of a Hansom Cab" is thrown in the shade in the minds of the police of the Oak street station by the mystery of an automobile, which they have on their hands. It was hastily abandoned on Park Row early to-day by a well-dressed man, who left his gloves after him in the vehicle.

It was shortly before 6 o'clock that the auto sped up Park Row from the direction of the Bridge. It was a two-seated affair with one occupant, the man referred to, who wore a tall silk hat and a swell overcoat and handled the machine with skill.

The auto went up the right side of the car tracks and when opposite Taylor's Hotel at 189 suddenly stopped just as a Third avenue car came along. The man jumped from the machine, and, boarding the car, was soon out of sight.

Several persons who were passing gathered about the auto, attracting the attention of a policeman, who found in it the laprobe, two cushions and a pair of regulation automobile gloves. He examined these things, but could find no marks that would lead to the identification of the owner.

The policeman removed everything movable and placed the property in the saloon of M. O'Connor, under Taylor's Hotel.

The lamps of the machine were burning when the policeman made his search.

The automobile is a valuable one, built like an English dogcart. On the back is a nameplate bearing the inscription "General Carriage Company, of New York," and the monogram "G. C. C." is painted on each side.

The auto was an object of interest to Park Row denizens until it was removed.

To-Morrow's Sunday World.

ILLUSTRATED.

NEWEST FREAK OF FASHION.
The dumbbell cane shown in a huge photograph of T. Suffern Tailer, just as he looks twirling it on Fifth avenue. Cane weighs 8 pounds. If you hit somebody you say, "Oh! Beg pawdon!"

ILLUSTRATED.

NEW YORK NEWSBOYS AS HOUSEKEEPERS.
Remarkable series of photographs. The boys sweep and mop and cook and set table and do all sorts of things—and enjoy it, too.

ILLUSTRATED.

LADIES, A NEW MUSICAL IDOL!
He's an Italian, not a Pole; his hair's black, not light, and it's curly and long and abundant. And he says an audience of ladies is inspiring. And he's coming here.

ILLUSTRATED.

THE TRAGIC LIFE OF MGR. CAPEL.
Original of Catesby in Disraeli's "Lothair," once petted in the highest society of Britain, now living on a ranch in California. Just had a $500 a year legacy from England.

ILLUSTRATED.

WORK 12 HOURS FOR 6 CENTS.
Remarkable account of miners who may one day be competitors of the poor fellows who lately struck in Pennsylvania.

ILLUSTRATED.

ROMANCE OF A SOLDIER LAD.
Massachusetts warrior from Porto Rico to wed an Italian Princess; and she's half American, too. So you may congratulate them both.

ILLUSTRATED.

MURDER MYSTERY OF MOTHER LOVE.
An Ohio woman is accused of killing a woman who spoke slightingly of her daughter. It's a remarkable story, rather sad, altogether interesting.

ILLUSTRATED.

KEEN RIVALS IN THE HUNT.
America's two most daring horse-women in a timber-topping exploit. A splendid illustration in four colors.

ILLUSTRATED.

BARMAID TO GRAND OPERA.
The remarkable story of a New York girl who has made a success at the Metropolitan, and how she did it.

ILLUSTRATED.

NEW CREATION BY HY. MAYER.
"A Trip to Toyland" one of the most charming of Mr. Mayer's artistic fancies. Something must be wrong with little folks who don't like it.

ILLUSTRATED.

DROWNING IS OUT OF FASHION.
New device—acetylene gas; wear a reservoir under your clothes, press a button when you fall into the water, and there you are—you can't sink.

ILLUSTRATED.

DID ADAM LIVE IN A HOUSE?
A learned professor has found a regular apartment house with various modern improvements 9,000 years or so old. There's really nothing new, sometimes it seems.

ILLUSTRATED.

AMERICAN GIRL TO WED A PRINCE.
Daughter of one of the most unfortunate men in the country wins the love of Prince Lichtenstein. The romance recalls a tragedy.

ILLUSTRATED.

AND OLD KING LEOPOLD AGAIN.
His Majesty of Belgium has long made life in Paris interesting. Now he is the friend of a New York girl well remembered in the Tenderloin.

ILLUSTRATED.

OUR DEAR FRIEND THE MICROBE.
There are good microbes and bad. You raise bread, make cheese, brew beer, ripen wine with microbes. Now they talk of making them furnish light.